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James D. SEGERMARK et al.	)	Group Art Unit: 3711
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Application No.: 10/816,286	)	Examiner: Dolores R. Collins
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Filed: April 01, 2004	)	
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For: PASSIVE LOAD BEARING	)	
SYSTEM AND METHOD OF	)	
USING	)	

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UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 121

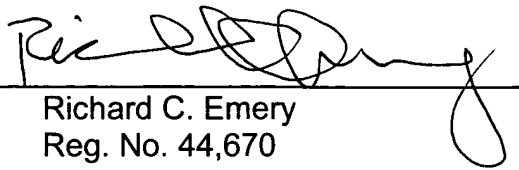
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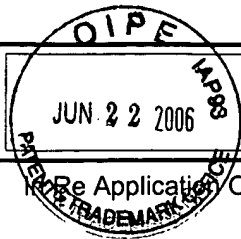
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Respectfully submitted,

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Title: **PASSIVE LOAD BEARING SYSTEM AND METHOD OF USE**

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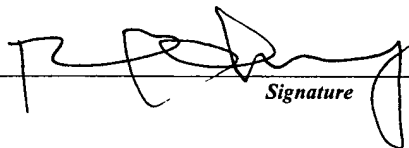
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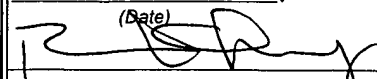
  
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